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SUBJ: PLANNING CONTRACT FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL CITY

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED FROM RECONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING MINISTRY OFFICIAL THAT MASTER PLANNING CONTRACT FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL CITY, TO BE LOCATED ON CAIRO/ISMAILIA ROAD SOME 55 MILES FROM CAPITAL, HAS BEEN AWARDED TO SWEDISH FIRM SWECO. TWO AMERICAN FIRMS, CHARLES T. MAIN AND TAMS, WERE AMONG COMPETITORS FORM A NUMBER OF WESTERN COUNTRIES.

2. NEW CITY, TENTATIVELY TO BE CALLED "OCTOBER 6 CITY", IS TO OCCUPY AN AREA OF APPROXIMATELY 100 SQUARE KILOMETERS AND INTENDED TO HOUSE INDUSTRIES WHICH WILL BE CREATED IN EGYPT UNDER NEW INVESTMENT LAW. THIS WILL HOPEFULLY KEEP POPULATION PRESSURES DOWN IN CAIRO AND AT SAME TIME PREVENT USE OF NEEDED AGRICULTURAL LANDS FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES.

3. MATER PLAN IS TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN ONE YEAR BUT VARIOUS INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS WILL PROBABLY BEGIN ABOUT THE MIDDLE OF 1975.
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